

ARM/NSA ES&H Policy Statement

The ARM/NSA ES&H policy statement describes the general safety-related requirements for all who work at, use, or visit the ARM/NSA Climate Research Facility. The facility's ES&H policies and procedures are designed to ensure a safe work environment for Sandia employees, Sandia contractors, and visitors to the facility. There are four different groups of workers at the ARM/NSA Climate Research Facility:

- Sandians
- Contractors
- Technical Visitors
- Escorted Visitors

Sandians or contractors who perform work under Sandia-directed contracts and Contractor-directed contracts are subject to the rules and guidelines of the Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) Environment, Safety, and Health (ES&H) Manual and Supplements implemented through the Integrated Safety Management System (ISMS) with the requirements specified in an approved Preliminary Hazard Screening (PHS) document.

Technical Visitors are neither Sandians nor persons contracted to perform work under Sandia-directed contracts. They are part of a collaborative effort and may use, set up, operate, or maintain instrumentation in areas controlled or operated by Sandia. They are responsible for providing the ARM/NSA facilities with the most current copy of an approved safe operating procedure for all equipment on which they work. While those responsible for SNL ES&H on behalf of ARM/NSA may offer feedback or question applicability to OSHA or other standards, Sandians or other ARM/NSA staff are not responsible for approving procedures, maintenance schedules, or other technical or safe work documents that belong to Technical Visitors.

Escorted Visitors are persons who visit the ARM/NSA site who are under the direct observation and/or oversight of SNL Members of the Workforce, who are required to follow the duties and responsibilities defined in the SNL ES&H Manual, Chapter 1, regarding visitors.

The SNL ES&H Manual is the standard for defining Members of the Workforce, roles, responsibilities, accountability, and authority at the work sites. Technical work documents generated by Sandians or contractors to Sandia may also specify other responsibilities, but these must be consistent with Sandia's ISMS Program and SNL ES&H Manual and Supplements.